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WEEK DAYS

	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
Kowloon	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	3.25	5.35	7.10
Yauwatt	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	3.34	5.44	7.19
Shatin	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	3.46	5.56	7.31
Taipei	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	3.59	6.04	7.44
Taipei Market	7.21	9.54	11.09	12.39	1.54	4.04	6.09	7.49
Fanning	7.33	10.07	11.21	12.51	2.07	4.17	6.21	7.56
Shungshui	7.38	10.12	11.26	12.56	2.12	4.22	6.26	8.01
Shumshui	7.43	10.17	11.31	13.01	2.17	4.27	6.31	8.06

	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
Shumshui	7.51	10.25	11.39	13.09	2.25	4.35	6.39	8.14
Shungshui	7.56	10.30	11.44	13.14	2.30	4.40	6.44	8.19
Fanning	8.08	10.42	11.56	13.26	2.42	4.52	6.56	8.31
Taipei Market	8.13	10.47	12.01	13.31	2.47	4.57	7.01	8.36
Taipei	8.27	10.61	12.15	13.45	2.61	5.11	7.15	8.50
Shatin	8.41	10.75	12.29	13.59	2.75	5.25	7.29	9.04
Yauwatt	8.55	10.89	12.43	14.13	2.89	5.39	7.43	9.18
Kowloon	9.03	10.97	12.51	14.21	2.97	5.47	7.51	9.26

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
Kowloon	6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	1.15	3.25	5.35	7.10
Yauwatt	6.50	8.45	9.24	10.39	1.24	3.34	5.44	7.19
Shatin	7.02	8.57	9.36	10.51	1.36	3.46	5.56	7.31
Taipei	7.16	9.11	9.49	11.04	1.49	3.59	6.04	7.44
Taipei Market	7.21	9.16	9.54	11.09	1.54	4.04	6.09	7.49
Fanning	7.33	9.28	10.07	11.21	2.07	4.17	6.21	7.56
Shungshui	7.38	9.33	10.12	11.26	2.12	4.22	6.26	8.01
Shumshui	7.43	9.38	10.17	11.31	2.17	4.27	6.31	8.06

	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
Shumshui	8.18	10.38	11.40	13.00	2.17	5.27	6.47	8.09
Shungshui	8.19	10.39	11.41	13.01	2.18	5.28	6.48	8.10
Fanning	8.23	10.43	11.45	13.05	2.21	5.31	6.51	8.13
Taipei Market	8.28	10.48	11.50	13.10	2.26	5.36	6.56	8.18
Taipei	8.37	10.57	11.59	13.19	2.35	5.45	7.05	8.27
Shatin	8.51	11.11	12.13	13.33	2.49	5.59	7.19	8.41
Yauwatt	9.05	11.25	12.27	13.47	2.63	6.13	7.33	8.55
Kowloon	9.11	11.31	12.33	13.53	2.69	6.19	7.39	9.01

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There have been a number of Company meetings, the addresses at which show the difficulties with which local firms are contending. All of these are fully reported in the WEEKLY.

This issue also contains the account of the Investiture held by H.R.H. Prince George at Government House.

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HONGKONG'S FIRE BRIGADE.
ITS ORGANISATION.

From an advance proof of the Annual Report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, which is being issued to members on Monday we take the following on the subject of the "Organisation of the Fire Brigade":—

At the instance of the Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong, the Chamber, on June 8th, addressed certain questions to the Government with reference to a fire which occurred at No. 5, The Peak, on April 28th. The Government replied on June 22nd, enclosing a report by the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade containing answers to the Chamber's questions, and the enquiries and replies may be conveniently set forth as follows:—

Question 1.—In view of the absence of fire fighting appliances particularly chemical Fire Extinguishers and portable scaling ladders, at the scene of the fire, will the Government state what appliances are kept on the Peak? And whether it will consider keeping a supply of portable chemical extinguishers in fire trucks at the "Peak Tram Police Station and the "Mount Gough Station?"

Answer.—Fire fighting appliances kept on the Peak are 5 Despatch Boxes, each containing 3 to 5 lengths (e.g. 300 to 500 ft.) of hose, branch pipe and standpipe for getting to work from Hydrants:—

They are allocated:—1 at Government House (Mountain Lodge, Peak); 1 at No. 6 Police Station; 1 at Mountain View; 1 at Gough Hill Police Station; 1 at Victoria Hospital.

Chemical Extinguishers in Fire Trucks could be kept as suggested, but a permanent Sub-Fire Station with small, adaptable, and up-to-date appliances and a few trained firemen, as suggested in a former report, is to be preferred.

[The Government informed the Chamber in a covering letter that it is proposed to keep chemical extinguishers in fire trucks.]

Question 2.—Why was only one fire engine sent to the Peak in the early stages of the fire, with a mere handful of men? It is presumed that the presence of the East Surrey Regiment at the fire was not known to Brigade Headquarters?

Answer.—This is incorrect. Two Motor Fire engines (in accordance with Brigade Organisation instituted here since September, 1922), were immediately despatched to the fire on the receipt of call. The fact that one machine (the first to arrive) is a special one, and better suited for climbing hills than the other, accounts for its arriving at the fire some few minutes earlier. The "mere handful" of men were:—

14 with the 1st appliance (Excluding driver)
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I might state that in England, in London in fact, a full crew for the 1st appliance would have been 4 men, including driver, and for the 2nd appliance, 5 men including driver and later type, and better suited for climbing hills than the other, accounts for its arriving at the fire some few minutes earlier. The "mere handful" of men were:—

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available for dealing with the outbreak:—

We have been instructed by our Committee to place before you for consideration the following points in connection with the above fire, which we feel should be brought to the early attention of the Government.

(1) **Fire Brigade.**—So far as the actual "Gear" is concerned we understand that it is considered to be sufficient for the present requirements of the Colony.

It is distributed over the following Stations:—

Hongkong:—Central Station, Kennedy Town, Wanchai.
Kowloon:—Central Station, Mongkoktsui.

There are in addition two Fire Floats, and we learn that a third, and more powerful one, is now approaching completion.

(2) **Personnel.**—Is it not a fact that the control and care of the above mentioned Stations, together with Fire Floats, rests in the hands of a permanent Staff consisting of three Europeans and approximately 200 Chinese?

If so, it would appear that the European Staff of the Fire Brigade is totally inadequate and our reasons for making this statement are as follows:—

(a) At the fire in question, the most noticeable feature (apart from the inadequacy of the Water Supply at the commencement) was the lack of fire control resulting from the insufficiency of trained European firemen to see that the orders given by Superintendent Brooks were effectively carried out.

Orders were given by onlookers who had no connection with either the Brigade or the Police Force and this serious defect would not have arisen had a large number of European firemen been available to control the situation.

Please understand that the foregoing is in no way intended to belittle the efforts of the Fire Brigade, as at present constituted on the 1st January last. Working as they were under heavy disabilities the result achieved is worthy of the highest praise.

(b) We understand that the magnitude of the fire necessitated the bringing over to Hongkong of the only European in charge on the Kowloon side, as well as practically the whole of the available Chinese Firemen, thereby leaving the Kowloon territories almost entirely unprotected for the period of several hours.

(c) In view of the area of the territory for which the Brigade is responsible, and, particularly so, as it is to all intents and purposes split into two separate divisions by the Harbour.

(d) The possibilities of a serious conflagration in the heart of the city, as illustrated by the fire in question, or among the Wharves and Godowns on the Kowloon side at West Point.

Had there been a strong wind blowing at the time, it is highly probable, in our opinion, that the fire would have assumed even more serious proportions.

(3) **Distribution of Personnel.**—The present European Staff is, we understand, distributed as follows:—

Hongkong Central Station.—Superintendent Brooks and Acting Station Officer Condon, (Seconded from the Police).
Kowloon Central Station.—Station Officer Saunders.

If this is so, it will be seen that the undermentioned are without any permanent European Station Officers:—

Hongkong.—Kennedy Town, Wanchai.
Kowloon.—Mongkoktsui, Harbour.—Two Fire Floats (at present).

In addition to the above, we understand that the Captain Superintendent of Police holds the title of Chief Officer of the Brigade, but in view of the fact that he was not in fire uniform at the Hotel Fire, we take this to be merely a nominal post and that he cannot be looked upon as one of the effective European members.

(4) **Duties of Mr. Brooks.**—Is it not a fact that the Superintendent in charge of the Brigade has many duties to perform, such as the inspection of Fire Installations, etc., which necessitate his frequent absence from Headquarters? If this is so, it seems obvious that in addition to further European Firemen, an assistant to Mr. Brooks, who can take charge of the Brigade in his absence, is urgently required.

(5) **Native Staff.**—Is it not a fact that the rank and file of the Chinese Staff is constantly changing, owing to the poorness of the terms of service, thereby impairing the efficiency of the Brigade?

(6) **Water Supply.**—Is the Government satisfied that the normal pressure of water in the Mains is sufficient in view of the increasing number of high Buildings erected and in process of erection in the City?

(7) **Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong.**—Would it not be possible for the Police and Fire Brigade to co-operate more closely and consult with this Association as occasion arises? Many of the Members of the Committee have had long experience of fires and, more particularly, fire protection, and the benefit of such experience would be gladly given if any useful purposes could be served thereby.

In conclusion, we are instructed to add that our Committee request your Chamber to strongly urge the Government's consideration of the very obvious necessity for an immediate increase in the permanent European Personnel of the Fire Brigade.

The Chamber has approached the Government with the suggestion that a Commission of Enquiry into the local Fire Brigade organisation be appointed.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF KWANGTUNG.
THE NEW CHANCELLOR AND HIS POLICY.

[CONTINUED.]

CANTON, March 15th.

A new regime has been inaugurated for the National University of Kwangtung (in Canton) with the appointment of a trained scientist and educator as Chancellor.

Dr. Tsu Min Yee, the new Chancellor, was educated in France for a period of seventeen years. He is a versatile linguist speaking English, French, German and Japanese. By profession he is a surgeon, having obtained his doctorate in Strasbourg University. Before proceeding to France, Dr. Tsu had been a student in Japan. Owing to the restrictions of the Japanese authorities, however, he left for France, where he took much interest in the welfare of the Chinese immigrants and made great improvements in the Chinese schools and institutions all of which have prospered through his exertions.

At the outbreak of the Revolution in Hupeh in 1911 Dr. Tsu returned to China and rendered valuable services in the revolutionary movement. After this he devoted himself to the work of education in company with Messrs. Tsai Yuen'pei, Li Yu Ying, Wang Ching Wei, Woo Ching Hung and others, and with their assistance the Sino-French Educational Association, the Institute Franco-Chinois of Lyon, and the University of Belgium were firmly established. In January last year, Dr. Tsu was present at the graduation ceremony of Hongkong University on behalf of Civil Governor Hu Han Min. He was appointed Dean of the Medical College of the National University of Kwangtung in July last, and was recently appointed President of the University in succession to Mr. Chou Loo, for whom he acted for some time last summer during Mr. Chou's absence.

DR. TSU'S POLICY.

Outlining his policy upon assuming office recently, Dr. Tsu declared that since his appointment to the present position he has been devoting special attention to educational work, though he is no less interested in Party affairs. As for the University the plans he has in view may be summed up as follows:—

(1) At present as preparations are being made for the organisation of the Chung Shan University no radical alterations in University work will be effected until the future.

(2) For such preparations a Commission will be appointed, to be composed of both the faculty and the students.

(3) As regards the lectures and tutorial work, telegrams have been sent to the North inviting famous professors to join the University.

(4) The college for special courses, being an organ for expanding the sphere of the university, will be highly developed and supplied with the necessary equipment.

(5) The library will be opened to the public shortly, after it is properly arranged and equipped.

(6) In dealing with the students, efforts are being made to awaken them to the importance of proceeding with their studies on prescribed lines and to sweep away all former differences. The maxim of the university requires that pursuit of studies must advance hand in hand with the work of revolution.

(7) As to finances, the Government assumes the whole responsibility for the expenditures of the University and therefore no difficulties will arise concerning financial matters.

(8) With reference to the technical college, civil and mechanical engineering courses will first be started. The complete curriculum has been drawn up and handed over to the Commission responsible for the execution of this trust.

GRATEFUL TENANTS.

PRESENTATION TO A PROPERTY OWNER.

RENTS NOT RAISED FOR FORTY YEARS.

There is a property owner in Hongkong who has not raised the rent of her tenements for over forty years.

This is Mrs. Tang Ho Shi, of 136, Caine Road, and 104, Hollywood Road, a widow who owns considerable property in the Colony. Yesterday she celebrated her 61st birthday by giving a party to her family, friends and tenants at the Man Kwok Restaurant, West Point.

Her tenants showed their gratitude to her on Thursday by walking in a procession to Mrs. Tang's residence, and presenting her with a large mirror, some fifteen feet square, and other gifts, to mark their appreciation of her kindness to them in the past.

GRAND NATIONAL BETTING.

An exclusive cable to the Singapore Free Press dated London, March 6th, says:—
Old Tay Bridge and Spring, at 9 to 1, are still favourites for the Grand National, to be run at Aintree on March 28th. Silvio and Double Chance stand together at 10 to 1.

THE CANTON HOSPITAL.
HISTORY OF THE STRIKE.

From the third instalment published in the Canton Gazette of a statement by the Canton Hospital which has had to close owing to a strike of its work people, we take the following:—

On Monday, the 8th of March, a representative of the Department of Labour called at the Hospital and delivered the final demands of the Miscellaneous Workers' Union, which did not differ in substance from the first one as regards the insistence that the Hospital must require its workpeople to join the Union and the financial demand was only reduced from five dollars to four and four and a half, whereas the Hospital had made it clear that it had no objection to the employees joining any outside organization so long as it did not interfere with the Hospital work and patients, and the Hospital finally promised an increase in wages of two and a half and two dollars. The position that the Hospital took was that these were the best that the Hospital could do and still continue to function: that if the Union should insist upon its so-called right to dictate to this and other Hospitals, to send in an ultimatum requiring a favourable answer in toto within three days (although the Board of Directors only meet bi-monthly), and to call a "strike" if these were not granted (thus endangering the lives of the many patients, and the welfare of all within the Hospital, and if the Government should agree that the Union had these rights and that the Hospital was under obligation to obey and to grant all of their demands, then all that the Hospital could possibly do would be to discontinue its service to the community. This would thus leave the way open for the Labour Union, the Government or some other group of persons, if they dared under present conditions, to establish and to try to maintain an efficient modern, charitable Hospital under such circumstances; but that the Canton Hospital, which was the pioneer medical institution in China, which has a fame throughout China and even abroad, which has a reputation that it is not willing to jeopardize, and with which the name of Dr. Sun Yat Sen is closely associated, would not care to try the experiment, since no member of the Board of Directors or Staff would then willingly themselves enter the Hospital as patients and would not therefore ask others to do so. There would therefore be no other course, but to close the institution, which they would only do as a last resort, since it is an essential institution. To duplicate it would require tremendous capital expenditure as well as a very heavy endowment or financial grant. To close down would also probably ruin the plans for the new plant upon the new land given by Dr. Sun Yat Sen to the Hospital in perpetuity.

The Hospital authorities therefore continued to do all possible to prevent such a catastrophe, negotiations having continued over a period of three weeks, the Hospital making all possible concessions but holding fast to fundamental principles of Hospital service.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Kuomintang Commissioner of Labour and Agriculture in a statement asserts that he did his best as a mediator but disapproved of the refusal on the part of the hospital management to recognize the existence of the labour union and deal with it as a body. The Commissioner describes as incorrect the statement that the hospital had been cut off from food supplies, but admits that, as soon as he learnt that the workers had disconnected water and electric supplies, he ordered reinstatement at once. The Commissioner regards the revised demands of the workers for wages and better service conditions as not unreasonable and says that such demands should not be considered malicious. The Commissioner takes the view that the Canton Hospital authorities should not have rejected the demands altogether.

HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS.

CURRENT PROGRAMMES AT THE CINEMA.

To-day there will be shown for the last time at the Queen's Theatre, a very interesting and attractive picture in "Thy Name is Woman." This splendid production is a fascinating story dealing with smuggling on the Spanish border. It is crammed with interest from start to finish and stars Barbara La Marr as the woman who dies for love. It is a film well worth seeing and should not be missed.

To-morrow and Monday there will be a complete change of programme, the principal attraction on the bill being "Sporting Life," taken from the famous Drury Lane melodrama of the name by Seymour Hicks and Cecil Raleigh. It stars among other well known film artists Bert Lytell.

At the Star Theatre, Kowloon, this evening, "The Quanta" appear in "The Sport of King," and to-morrow afternoon and evening in "No, No, Nanette." At the World Theatre, Anita Stewart is appearing in "The Invisible Fear."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

G. R. NOTICE.

OWNERS AND DRIVERS of MOTOR CARS are hereby notified that NO CARS will be PERMITTED to Park Below the Former Main Entrance to the HONGKONG HOTEL in PRINCE STREET. Motor Cars are NOT ALLOWED to Remain in the House Street Lorry Than is Absolutely Necessary.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1926. [3341]

GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LTD., OF DENMARK.

HONGKONG STATION, CURRENCY CHARGES ON TELEGRAMS.

SENDERS OF TELEGRAMS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that From the 1st APRIL, 1926, Until Further Notice, The CHARGES FOR TELEGRAMS will be Collected at the Rate of Dollar 0.37 to equal Franc 1.00.

E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1926. [3340]

FOR SALE.

ON the Instructions of the Public Trustee of England, the Undermentioned have been Authorized to negotiate for the SALE of the following Properties:-

- 1.—67/73 (Old Numbers), Queen's Road Central on Portion of Marine Lot No. 14.
- 2.—1/31 (Old Numbers), Pottinger Street on Portion of Marine Lot No. 14.
- 3.—2/35 (Even Numbers), Chinese Street on Portion of Marine Lot No. 14.
- 4.—60/70 (Even Numbers), Des Vaux Road Central on Portion of Marine Lot No. 14.
- 5.—154/160, Praya East on Marine Lot No. 19.
- 6.—31/37 Squares feet of Land being the Reclamation to Marine Lot No. 19.
- 7.—15, 16 and 17, Connaught Road Central on Marine Lot No. 307.
- 8.—18/33 (Running Numbers), Connaught Road Central on Marine Lot No. 308.
- 9.—35, Connaught Road Central on Marine Lot No. 379.
- 10.—37A, 37B, 38A, 39 and 40, Connaught Road Central on Portion of Marine Lot No. 391.
- 11.—Stephen's Building, situated on Portion of Marine Lot No. 391.
- 12.—7, Robinson Road on Inland Lot No. 713.
- 13.—8, Shelly Street on Section E of Inland Lot No. 119.
- 14.—44, Bonham Road on Portion of Section A of Inland Lot No. 591.
- 15.—46, Bonham Road on Portion of Section A of Inland Lot No. 591.
- 16.—4, Peak Road on Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 643.
- 17.—8, Mountain View, The Peak, on Section A of Rural Building Lot No. 60.
- 18.—10, Mountain View, The Peak, on Section I of Rural Building Lot No. 60.
- 19.—5, Stewart Terrace, The Peak, on Section E of Rural Building Lot No. 9.
- 20.—1 and 2, "Dikwai," situated on Section A of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 539.
- 21.—52, 53 Squares feet of Land being Kowloon Inland Lot No. 538.
- 22.—255 and 257, Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on Portion of the Remaining Portion of Section B of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 29.
- 23.—134, 136 and 138, Reclamation Street, Yaumati, on Portion of the Remaining Portion of Section B of Marine Lot No. 29.
- 24.—163/180 (even Numbers), Reclamation Street, Yaumati, on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 674.
- 25.—182/200 (even Numbers), Reclamation Street, Yaumati, on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 712.
- 26.—202/220 (even Numbers), Reclamation Street, Yaumati, on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 675.
- 27.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1926. [3338]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on TUESDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1926, at 5.15 P.M., to pass and adopt the Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1925, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,
P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.
[3324]

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED, will be held in the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of MARCH, 1926, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1925, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED From the 15th to the 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1926. [3326]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 25th MARCH, 1926, at 11 O'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1925, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 20th MARCH, 1926, until THURSDAY, the 25th MARCH, 1926, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1926. [3320]

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the General Managers, on FRIDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st December, 1925.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED From the 12th to the 26th MARCH, 1926, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1926. [3325]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 27th MARCH, 1926, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1925.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 19th day of MARCH, to MONDAY, the 26th day of MARCH, 1926, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1926. [3321]

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, on MONDAY, 27th MARCH, 1926, at Noon, for consideration of the Director's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 26th MARCH, 1926 (both days inclusive).
By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1926. [3337]

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

CERTIFICATE No. 3461 for 25 Shares, 24 Per Share Paid Up, Numbered 48761/48775 in this Society standing in the Joint Names of HARRY OLABERN PEARCE and JOHN HERMAN TEESEDALE, both of Shanghai, Has Been Declared LOST, and if at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above Document be not forthcoming the said Certificate will be deemed CANCELLED and of No Effect, and A NEW Certificate for the 25 Shares will be issued in its stead by the Society.

PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1926. [3238]

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ENTRIES WILL CLOSE at 12 O'CLOCK Noon on SATURDAY, 20th MARCH, 1926. [3327]

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

THEATRE ROYAL.

MARCH, 20th, 1926, at 8.15 P.M.

SIXTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

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CABLE AND WIRELESS NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE LEAGUE FIASCO

AMERICAN VIEWS ON WORLD COURT.

BRUSSELS, March 18th.

Speaking to pressmen after his return to-day from Geneva, M. Vandervelde, in recalling M. Briand's remark about the revision of the constitution of the League pointed out that there were provisions in the Covenant which it would be difficult if not impossible to revise. He contended that permanent seats should be held by the Powers with general interests and if the idea of giving permanent seats to lesser Powers were admitted, it would be impossible to know where to stop. He declared that the result of the Geneva crisis was a check and not a catastrophe. The resignation of Belgium was unthinkable, and if the question of additional permanent seats to the Council came up again he would give full weight to Belgium's numerous claims for a permanent seat.

BRITISH REPORT.

LONDON, March 18th.

The Executive of the British League of Nations Union has unanimously resolved regretting that Germany was not immediately admitted to the League, and expressing astonishment and indignation that Germany's admission "was made the subject of secret bargains, pledges and even threats utterly at variance with the methods and spirit of the League." The resolution draws attention "to the extreme danger involved by the creation of any permanent and irremovable members whatsoever, except a few Great Powers, whose continuous presence is necessary to give strength and authority to the Council."

NO PROMISE OF MANDATES.

LATER.

In the House of Commons, Capt. Walter Shaw (Cons.) declared that a provisional promise was given to Germany at Locarno to the effect that if she entered the League she might ultimately obtain a Colonial Mandate, and he asked whether the Dominions approved of such an undertaking.

Mr. Locker Lampson replied that it was indicated to the German delegation at Locarno that Germany, as a member of the League, would be a possible candidate for Colonial mandates like all other members, but it was incorrect to suggest that any promise or undertaking was given to the German Government.

AUSTRALIA'S ATTITUDE.

MELBOURNE, March 18th.

In the House of Representatives, Mr. Bruce said that the Commonwealth Government instructed its representatives at Geneva that it did not favour an increase in the permanent members of the League Council apart from Germany.

AMERICAN RESERVATIONS.

GENEVA, March 18th.

A public sitting of the Council has agreed to a motion by Sir Austen Chamberlain to draw the attention of all Governments, which have received from the Government of the United States a copy of the American Senate's resolution embodying the reservations governing the adherence of the United States to the World Court of Justice, to the difficulty of proceeding by a mere exchange of Notes and the consequent need for general agreement of the Council. The motion also proposed that all the Governments concerned, including the United States, should appoint delegates to participate in the discussion of the reservations and frame a new agreement at the meeting of the Assembly of the League at Geneva on September 1st.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

AMERICA SURPRISED.

WASHINGTON, March 18th.

Reports that the League of Nations may ask the representatives of the Washington Government to explain the

American reservations to the ratification of the World Court has caused a great surprise in the State Department. Mr. Kellogg has stated that the Government is dealing directly with the 48 members of the Court regarding the acceptance of its reservations, which, it is understood, are approved by several Governments. Mr. Kellogg declined to indicate his action if the League persisted in attempting to deal with the matter.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIA AND SWITZERLAND.

GENEVA, March 18th.

M. Chicherin has informed the Secretary General of the League, that Russia is prepared to participate in the meeting of the Preparatory Committee of the Economic Conference on April 24th, if the venue is not in Switzerland.

GERMAN DELEGATES UPHOLD.

BERLIN, March 18th.

The Cabinet Council has unanimously approved of the attitude of the German delegates to Geneva.

COMMONS' DEBATE ON GENEVA.

LONDON, March 18th.

The House of Commons debate on Geneva has been fixed for Tuesday next, March 23rd.

END OF COUNCIL MEETING.

GENEVA, March 18th.

The session of the League Council concluded after fixing May 17th as the date of the meeting of the Preparatory Committee to consider disarmament, on which the Argentina and Chile have been invited to sit as additional members.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

AMERICA AND LEAGUE'S IMPOTENCE.

NEW YORK, March 18th.

The Ambassador Mr. Houghton, since he arrived from London, has been conferring with President Coolidge, Mr. Kellogg and Mr. Gibson, the American Ambassador to France, as regards the condition of Europe.

While nothing is officially disclosed about the conversations, correspondents at Washington declare the two diplomats painted a gloomy picture of the impotence of the League of Nations and of Europe drifting back to the pre-war system of the balance of power.

The correspondents hint at a reversion to a policy of aloofness on the part of the United States, beginning with the Disarmament Conference in which the President was previously so deeply and sympathetically interested, but which is now hanging balance owing to the impression conveyed by the diplomats that the preliminary arms conference at Geneva, if ever it meets, will be a hollow mockery since the European Powers do not desire an agreement.

WASHINGTON NEWSPAPER VIEW.

LATER.

The Times of Washington referring to the conversations between President Coolidge, Mr. Kellogg, Mr. Houghton and Mr. Gibson says it is the desire of the United States to approach the arms conference by way first of a naval conference, which Great Britain sympathetically supports, and is opposed by France, Italy and Japan who desire a simultaneous discussion on land and sea forces.

Mr. Houghton advises his Government that the French argument is advanced as a screen behind which the growth of the balance of power in favour of France can proceed with minimum interruption.

Mr. Houghton's view of Great Britain is of the Government being unable to pursue the vigorous policy desired by public opinion because it seeks French co-operation in the Near East and elsewhere, and concludes the French Government must be prepared to change her attitude on the subject of the debt settlement.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRENCH FINANCES.

MINISTER FAINTS FOLLOWING "SCENE" IN CHAMBER.

PARIS, March 18th.

A ministerial statement by the new Briand Government has been read in the Senate and Chamber. It stated that the Government was anxious finally to settle inter-Allied indebtedness and would pursue the negotiations, which at present were in a promising condition, and it would strive to end the antagonisms of Europe as it did at Geneva within the framework of the League of Nations. The fact that Germany's entry into the League had been adjourned was not the fault of the Locarno signatories. France's financial problem still awaited solution, and the Government was in duty bound to secure a completely and unequivocally balanced budget. The Government demanded a prompt vote on the Bill restoring single-member Constituencies. Its paramount aim was "achievement," for the country had suffered too long from discord and crises, and wanted to feel itself governed.

LATER.

The Chamber has passed a vote of confidence in M. Briand's new Ministry by 381 vote to 184.

ATTACK ON NEW MINISTER.

LATER.

After M. Briand had read the above Ministerial Declaration, he said that the Government, owing to the necessity of resuming the financial debate as soon as possible, only accepted for immediate discussion an interpellation on the constitution of the Cabinet.

This was accepted without a division, but the Chamber was soon feverishly excited by a Royalist Deputy's criticism of M. Malvy (the new Minister of the Interior) whom M. Briand stoutly defended till a din of protests from the Right obliged the Premier to resume his seat.

Subsequently, as the result of M. Herriot's appeal to the Chamber, M. Briand proceeded. He claimed that an agreement had been achieved at Geneva and urged the necessity of voting funds. He concluded by saying: "If you intend to overthrow the Government, do it immediately."

After loud applause from the Left and the Centre, M. Barillet, a Member of the Right, re-attacked M. Malvy, whom he charged with having on his hands the blood of men shot for indiscipline in 1917 and who had been led astray by M. Malvy's defeatist campaign.

M. Malvy sprang to his feet and passionately protested. He appealed to M. Briand to allow him to resign if he would be a hindrance to the Cabinet.

"I am not a coward," interjected M. Briand, and M. Malvy then collapsed and fainted, and had to be carried out of the Chamber amid intense excitement.

The sitting was temporarily suspended. When the Chamber resumed, M. Briand defended M. Malvy's honour. After the vote of confidence had been taken, the House adjourned until Monday.

The Socialists voted with the Government as a mark of sympathy with M. Malvy, but have declared that they reserve full liberty of future action, particularly as regards the Government's financial measures.

AMERICAN WAR CLAIMS.

3,000 FILED AGAINST GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, March 18th.

The Morning Post correspondent at Washington says three thousand claims have been filed in the State Department against Britain for violation of neutral rights in wartime, many of these being frivolous.

The correspondent recalls decisions by the United States Supreme Court against English shippers during the Civil War, to show that a Court, in pursuance of those rulings, would be compelled to reject the present claims.

BOAT RACE TRIAL.

LONDON, March 18th.

The Cambridge crew did a full Course trial this afternoon from Putney to Mortlake in 19 min. 18 secs. The conditions were not as good as for Oxford yesterday.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

HOME SAVINGS.

WIDE DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH IN BRITAIN.

RUSSY, March 18th.

Some remarkable figures regarding small investors in Britain were given in an address by Mr. Walter Runciman, who said they showed that there was to-day a wider distribution of wealth in Britain than ever before. There were now about 16,000,000 capitalists in this country, he said, and the total amount of their savings was not far short of £22,000,000,000. Of this immense sum, £288,000,000 was deposited in the Post Office Savings Banks, £223,000,000 in National Savings Certificates, £198,000,000 in small Government holdings, £470,000,000 in ordinary and industrial Life Assurance Funds, £140,000,000 in Building Societies, and £300,000,000 in other approved Societies.

PRINCE OF WALES.

TO VISIT THE CONTINENT AT EASTER.

RUSSY, March 18th.

It is announced that the Prince of Wales intends to visit the Continent at Easter or early in April. He may possibly visit Biarritz, among other places. The period of his stay abroad is not likely to exceed ten days or a fortnight.

NEW VICEROY LEAVES.

RUSSY, March 18th.

Lord Irwin, the new Viceroy of India, and Lady Irwin, left London this afternoon for Marseilles, where they will embark for India.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

COMMONS AND RUBBER.

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING RELEASES SHORTLY.

LONDON, March 18th.

In the House of Commons, Col. H. C. Woodcock asked what were the intentions of the Colonial Office as regards a further increase in the releases of rubber under the Stevenson Scheme.

Mr. Amery said he was closely watching the rubber situation, and hoped to be able to make a public notification in due course. With regard to the release of rubber under the Stevenson Scheme he would make an announcement as early as possible, probably within a fortnight.

LABOUR HOURS.

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT.

LONDON, March 18th.

The Labour conference on the eight hours day now meeting in London and attended by the Labour Ministers of Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Belgium have signed an agreement at the Labour Ministry.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY MATCH.

LONDON, March 18th.

Playing at Stamford Bridge in the army triangular soccer tournament, the British Army and the Belgian Army drew, two goals all.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

In the Second Division of the League Swansea beat Portsmouth, 1/0; and in the Third Division (North) Halifax beat Southport, 3/0.

BOXING.

PHIL SCOTT NEW BRITISH HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION.

LONDON, March 18th.

At the Albert Hall, in a twenty-round contest for the British Heavyweight Championship, Phil Scott knocked out the holder Frank Goddard in the third round.

DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGHT.

Goddard, who was generously plastered with powder, presented a weird spectacle, his enormous bulk contrasting with Scott's muscular symmetry. In the first round Scott landed a right which surprised the painfully slow Goddard. In the second round, Scott pierced the pitiful defence, but ran into a left, which seemed low, and went down for a count of six, but he finished the round by weakening Goddard. In the third round, Goddard opened aggressively but with little science and left himself dead open for Scott's left, which the latter followed up by a knock-out in the jaw with the right.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE SHOOTING EPISODE AT PEKING.

GREAT EXCITEMENT PREVAILS.

PEKING, March 18th.

The killed in yesterday's incident when Chinese guards fired on student demonstrators, included a coolie who was passing. Altogether twenty of the wounded reached the P.U.M.C. Hospital. Two of them have since died.

Order has been restored, but the greatest excitement prevails.

Shops in the vicinity are closed and trams are not running.

Li Ming Chung, the Commandant of the Peking Garrison, hastened to the scene soon after the firing and from there went to see the Premier who was unable to explain who gave the order to fire.

Li Ming Chung then called on H.E. Tuan Chi Jui (Chief Executive) with whom he is still discussing the matter.

THE TARIFF CONFERENCE.

NO INTENTION OF JAPAN WITHDRAWING.

Tokyo, March 18th.

Mr. Shidehara, replying to enquiries in the Lower House, stated emphatically that the Government does not intend withdrawing from the Tariff Conference, as the stabilisation of the Chinese situation necessitates an agreement being reached.

ENGINEERING SETTLEMENT.

MESSRS. HOE'S MEN TO RESUME WORK.

LONDON, March 18th.

A settlement of the engineering dispute is indicated by the announcement that Messrs. Hoe's men have decided to resume work on Monday, and that the lock-out notices have been withdrawn.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

AMERICAN TRAGEDY.

KILLER OF SIX COMITS SUICIDE.

PLACERVILLE (California), March 18th.

A man named John Goin ran amok yesterday and killed five women and a man at Stockton. He met his death after a dramatic motor-chase, with pursuing officers firing on Goin's car, which left the mountain road near Eldorado, and overturned.

Goin was picked up lifeless. The officers assert they heard a shot just before the car swerved, and believe Goin committed suicide.

BRITISH RUBBER.

NEWSPAPER COMMENT ON MR. HOOVER'S CONCEIT.

WASHINGTON, March 18th.

Commenting on Mr. Hoover's recent statement to the effect that his campaign against high rubber prices had been effective, the Sun recalls Rostand's barnyard "hero" who thought that his crowing made the sun rise. The paper says that Mr. Hoover is in danger of taking himself too seriously. If the price of rubber had been brought down simply by a little campaign on the part of the Secretary of Commerce, why does he not bring down anthracite prices, house rents and cost of living generally?

AMERICAN CENSUS.

HUGE GROWTH OF POPULATION IN SIX YEARS.

New York, March 18th.

The Census Bureau estimates that the population of the United States on August 1st will be 117,135,317, which is an increase of over eleven million since 1920.

OBITUARY.

COLONEL COOLIDGE, FATHER OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT.

New York, March 18th.

The death is announced of Col. John Coolidge, father of the President of the United States. Col. Coolidge died at 10.41 in the evening. The President heard the news at Bridgeport en route to see his father. The funeral is likely to take place to-morrow.

HONGKONG THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

THIRD ANNIVERSARY.

At this week's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society, the third anniversary of the Lodge was celebrated, and an address was given by Mr. H. E. Lanepart on "Religion and its Future."

Outlining the work performed by the Lodge during the year under review, the Hon. Secretary said that the success was largely due to the devoted efforts of the President and the various workers of the Lodge. Thanks were also due to a number of visitors who gave their valuable assistance whilst in Hongkong, namely: Dr. Mary Rocks-Sydney (Australian Representative of the Order of the Star in the East), Mr. Max Wardall (San Francisco), Bishop Irving S. Cooper (Chicago), Miss Flora Menzel (Milwaukee), Sr. I. de Resende (Macao), Mr. M. Browne (Shanghai), Mrs. W. Douglas (Montana), Professor H. van Lubbarton (Tokyo), Mr. N. Cassell-Deenatour, and others. Altogether 107 meetings were held, 43 of which were lectures to the public. The membership increased steadily throughout the year, exceeding last year's increase when the membership had doubled. The Library had been increased, and amongst other donors the Lodge President presented a valuable collection of books on Theosophy, Comparative Religion, Philosophy and Occult Science. A large number of books were ordered by the Lodge for the Library and also for members and friends. Several special collections of Theosophical books in English were presented by the Lodge to local Institutions and Associations. The China Publication Fund in Shanghai published a further number of Theosophical books in Chinese and several thousand of these were distributed in Hongkong and outposts. The Lodge President, Mr. M. Mann, had been appointed Representative for all the eight Theosophical Lodges in China, at the Theosophical World Conference at Adyar, attended by over three thousand Delegates representing almost all the nations and countries of the world. Whilst at Adyar the Lodge President was appointed Presidential Agent for China, by Dr. Annie Besant, World President T.S., Hongkong thus becoming the centre for all Theosophical activities in China.

To meet the increasing demand, a Chinese Section was formally opened, and public lectures are now given also in the Chinese language, every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. Other new introductions were a Speaker's Training Class in English, held every week, and weekly meetings of the Order of the Star in the East, whose aim is to spread the knowledge and to give out information about the underlying facts of the Second Coming of the World Teacher which is now imminent. The ceremony concluded with a quiet meditation when all united in sending thoughts of love and gratitude to the late Dr. G. F. L. Harrison, and all the original founders of the Lodge, as well as to the present President and all those who so faithfully had assisted in the work. Heartly thanks were also expressed to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rutledge for the free use of Lodge rooms.

RUSSIA'S DISMAL POVERTY.

TROTSKY'S DAMAGING ADMISSION.

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The actual effects on Russian life of the Soviet experiments in nationalisation and Communism are strikingly set forth in a valuable memorandum by Dr. E. Luboff, based on up-to-date Soviet documents and entitled "The Soviets in 1925."

Trotsky is quoted on the Russian nationalised industries as follows: "The best of the undertakings we have nationalised; the bad ones we leased to private enterprises. The result of this is that the bad undertakings, in the hands of private business men, produce better goods."

Soviet cloth and Soviet boots were found to be "unreliable and of inferior quality." No others can be bought, and wages were in 1925 only 22 sh. a month, or about 10s. a week. Retail prices were 111 per cent. above pre-war prices, or much higher than they are here.

MINERS DISMISSED. The present national income in Russia is "less than a third of the pre-war income." As to the general condition of this people, this evidence of M. Preobrazhensky, the Soviet Financial Expert, is in marked contrast with the fairy tales told by Red-British-Trade Unionists. On returning from Europe to Sovietdom the first impressions gained are our poverty and the inequality of the standard of living. We are extremely poor; much poorer than Western Europe; our shabbiness, our poverty, our clothing, our unpaved streets, our miserable buildings—all this meets the eye first of all on crossing the frontier. The same feeling remains while driving through the streets of Moscow. Those who have the effrontery to tell the British miners that the remedy for their troubles is nationalisation should note that the "Soviet coal administration" was compelled to dismiss some 28,000 miners in April, 1925. Unemployment is increasing, and even the Soviet authorities could not hide that fact. Their figures admit a rise from 300,500 in March to 613,000 in July and over a million at the end of 1925.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 22nd instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges. All Claims must be sent in to us on or before Thursday, the 25th instant, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1926. [3329]

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
HONGKONG.

FOR MARCH, 1926.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120TH MERIDIAN,
EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
March 20th.....	6.23 a.m.	6.24 p.m.
" 21st.....	6.27 "	6.25 "
" 22nd.....	6.28 "	6.26 "
" 23rd.....	6.26 "	6.26 "
" 24th.....	6.25 "	6.26 "
" 25th.....	6.24 "	6.26 "
" 26th.....	6.23 "	6.26 "
" 27th.....	6.23 "	6.27 "
" 28th.....	6.22 "	6.27 "
" 29th.....	6.21 "	6.27 "
" 30th.....	6.20 "	6.28 "
" 31st.....	6.18 "	6.28 "

HOW £5,000,000 WAS SALVED.
THE "LAURENTIC" GOLD.

FIRST FULL ACCOUNT.

DIVER HEAD DOWNWARD IN THE SEA.

Mr. J. C. C. Davidson, Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, announced in Parliament last month that the cost of recovering the £5,000,000 from the White Star liner *Laurentic*, which sank in 1917 off the west coast of Ireland while being used as an auxiliary cruiser in the war, was only £135,000, including a bonus of £2,730 to the officers and men concerned.

The work of the divers was begun in 1917. But the *Laurentic*, a vessel of 14,000 tons, which had been acting as an auxiliary cruiser, was lost in a spot exposed to the full fury of the Atlantic, in 20 fathoms (120 ft.) of water.

STORMS STOP WORK.

For months at a time the work of the divers was stopped by storms, and much of the treasure had to be literally snatched away during a lull in the gales. The work was done from the Admiralty salvage vessel *Racer*, 1,000 tons. Lieutenant E. L. B. Damant, R.N., himself a diver, was in charge. Comdr. Damant has since received the thanks of the Admiralty for his work, while several members of his crew of about 50 have been decorated. It is interesting to recall the loss of the P. and O. liner *Egypt*, which sank off Ushant after a collision in May, 1922. She carried gold and silver valued at £1,054,000, an attempt to recover which is probable this spring.

THE SALVAGE.

HOW THE "LAURENTIC" WAS SMASHED UNDER SEA.

Comdr. Damant gave a *Daily Mail* reporter the following first full account of the salvage work:

Diving at 120 feet is always difficult, and the wreck lay two miles from land in a very exposed spot in the Atlantic. It was only possible to work for six months in the year.

When we first started to work, immediately after it was sunk, the *Laurentic* lay on its side at an angle of 60 degrees from the vertical. Using explosives, we blew in a door in the side of the ship near the strong-room.

The foreman diver, Warrant Shipwright Miller, went down a transverse passage, and eventually reached the strong-room in the middle of the ship. He unscrewed some nuts from the hinges and had the strong-room open in a few minutes. Most of the gold then lay before him in boxes.

It was very difficult to remove these boxes of gold. The diver had to crawl up a steeply sloping passage in pitch darkness, pushing a heavy box before him, and occasionally lifting it over obstacles.

On the first day we removed one box and on the following day three more. Then a gale blew up from the north and lasted a week, during which pieces of decking and other debris were washed on shore, showing that something had happened to the *Laurentic*.

When the sea subsided and it was possible to send a diver down, he found that the whole ship had collapsed like a pack of cards, driving the decks out sideways. This had been caused by the enormous pressure exercised by the action of the waves deep below the surface.

There was no hollow space in which men might crawl about, and we had to cut a way right into the crumpled ship with explosives.

Altogether since the beginning of the operations we have removed 3,000 tons of material. In the remaining part of 1917 we recovered about £1,000,000 worth of gold.

In 1919 the work was resumed, and some gold was recovered. In 1920 and 1921 we were very unlucky. When the ship collapsed the gold was divided into two sections. The first lot was comparatively easy to recover. The second consignment, however, was buried beneath about 10 feet of sand and debris, consisting of broken-up fragments of the ship and its fittings, including such things as berths, baths, wash-basins, and tables.

HOSE PIPE UNDER SEA.

The divers worked in a jagged crater in the middle of the ship, and to remove the sand they had to scoop it into sacks with their hands. The sand was made quite hard by the action of the waves, and the divers loosened it with a fire-hose pipe let down from the *Racer*.

The diver squirted the jet of water into the sand, thereby loosening it, and as he did this he pushed his hand into the loosened sand to feel for the gold.

The men crouched or lay down on the sand, scooping it into sacks and feeling for the gold. Sometimes at the end of several days of work, they would have their finger-nails worn down almost to the quick, and the tips of their fingers soft like sponges. They would not wear gloves.

In 1922, 1923, and 1924 we made good progress, and at the end of that year there was less than one per cent. of the gold in the wreck. The sand was then gaining fast on the divers and the work had to be abandoned.

Throughout there was not one accident, but there was a queer mishap. To prevent the air-pipe from dragging on their helmets the divers tied the pipe to a part of the wreck, allowing themselves a certain amount of slack.

One day a man was working head downward when the trowsers of his suit became filled with air, and he started to rise to the surface upside down. When he had risen some distance he was stopped by the lashing of the pipe below, and so he hung upside down half-way between the surface and the bottom, like a mine.

(Continued on next Column.)

NEW STREET NAMES IN BERLIN.
REPUBLICANS AND HISTORY.

Berlin, says *The Times* correspondent, is being reminded of the result of the autumn municipal elections which broke up the bourgeois bloc in the City Council, owing mainly to Communist successes.

The majority now available for proposals upon which whole-hearted Republicans can agree has turned its attention to the re-naming of streets and squares. The City Council decided last month, by 122 votes to 81, that the Königsplatz should be re-named "Platz der Republik." The Communists wanted it to be called "Platz der Revolution," but their electoral successes did not give them command of the Council without allies, so they had to be content with a name which satisfied the Socialists and Democrats as well.

The cry of "iconoclasm" and worse, raised by Conservatives and Monarchists, is not hard to understand. The sandy space which in 1895 received the name of "King's Square" developed step by step with the rising fortune of the Hohenzollerns into the kernel of that area which is laid out in the centre of the capital to express the glory not only of the Hohenzollerns, but of the Empire. The gaudy Victory Column was raised in it and unveiled by the Emperor William I. in September, 1873. The Siegessäule, with its double row of statues epitomizing the dynastic history of Prussia, begins in it. The front of the gilded Reichstag building looks out on it; statues of the Emperor William I., Prince Bismarck, Von Moltke, and Von Roon stand in it.

On the other hand, it has played a very glorious part in the history of the Republic. It was the scene in the first turbulent period of several bloody encounters which would be better left uncommemorated. The Republic's only claim on it is that Herr Scheidemann read there the declaration of the new form of State from a window overlooking it.

There are still plenty of Kaiserstrassen, Wilhelmstrassen, Friedrichstrassen, Hohenzollernstrassen, and squares similarly named for no very strong historical reason, which the Monarchists suggest might well have been chosen for Republican glorification. The whole proceeding is regarded, even by many Republicans, as petty and ridiculous. There is no saying where it will stop.

The strong group of Communists on the District Council of Neukölln has also made an onslaught on the street names of their inner suburban districts. With the aid of the Socialists, Friedrich motions to change the Kaiser Friedrich Strasse into "Karl Marx Strasse," the Hohenzollernplatz into "Karl Liebknechtplatz," the Gruner Weg into "Reichplatz," after a ringleader of the schtrasse, and the school known as the Kaiser Friedrich Realgymnasium into "Karl Marx Gymnasium."

These changes will not be made immediately. The decisions of the Councils have to pass through various formalities, including submission to the Chief of Police, for approval.

BRAVEST DEED OF THE YEAR.
SEAMAN'S RESCUE OF HIS MATE.

The Royal Humane Society has awarded the Stanhope Gold Medal for the bravest deed of the year to Duncan L. Souter, a seaman, of Grimsby, who has already received the society's silver medal for the same deed. "There was never any doubt as to which action of the kind merited this award," it was stated after the meeting, "and the court had not the least difficulty in selecting Mr. Souter for the honour."

On May 16th, when the steam trawler *Havaria* was off the coast of Iceland, with half a gale blowing and heavy cross-seas running, the mate, John M. Lee, was washed overboard. Two life-buoys were thrown to him, but he failed to reach either of them, and he was seen to give up and turn face downwards in the water.

Souter threw off his heavy boots and, plunging overboard, secured one of the life-buoys, which he took to Lee, supporting him until the vessel was able to throw a line, by which both men were eventually got on board.

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	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.85	29.91	29.96
Temperature	64	63	65
Humidity	95	94	74
Wind Direction	E	WNW	NNW
" Force	4	2	1
Weather	OMD	O	O
Rain	0.13	0.00	1.49

Highest open-air Temperature on 18th..... 65
Lowest open-air Temperature on 19th..... 62

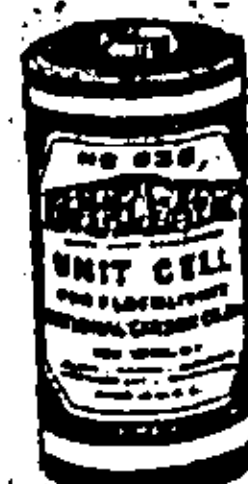
HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 20th to 26th, 1926.

		High Water.		Low Water.	
Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Satur.	20	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		2 42	4 4	7 3	3 4
Sun.	21	1 23	5 7	8 26	3 3
		4 33	4 0	10 53	2 3
Mon.	22	Notified High or Low Water			
Tues.	23	8 25	4 3	0 13	2 1
		5 34	5 7	10 12	4 12
Wed.	24	8 57	4 4	1 3	1 8
		6 29	5 9	11 49	4 0
Thur.	25	8 49	4 5	1 41	3 7
		7 15	6 2	0 51	1 4
Fri.	26	9 1	6 5	2 13	1 4
		7 56	6 8	1 38	3 4

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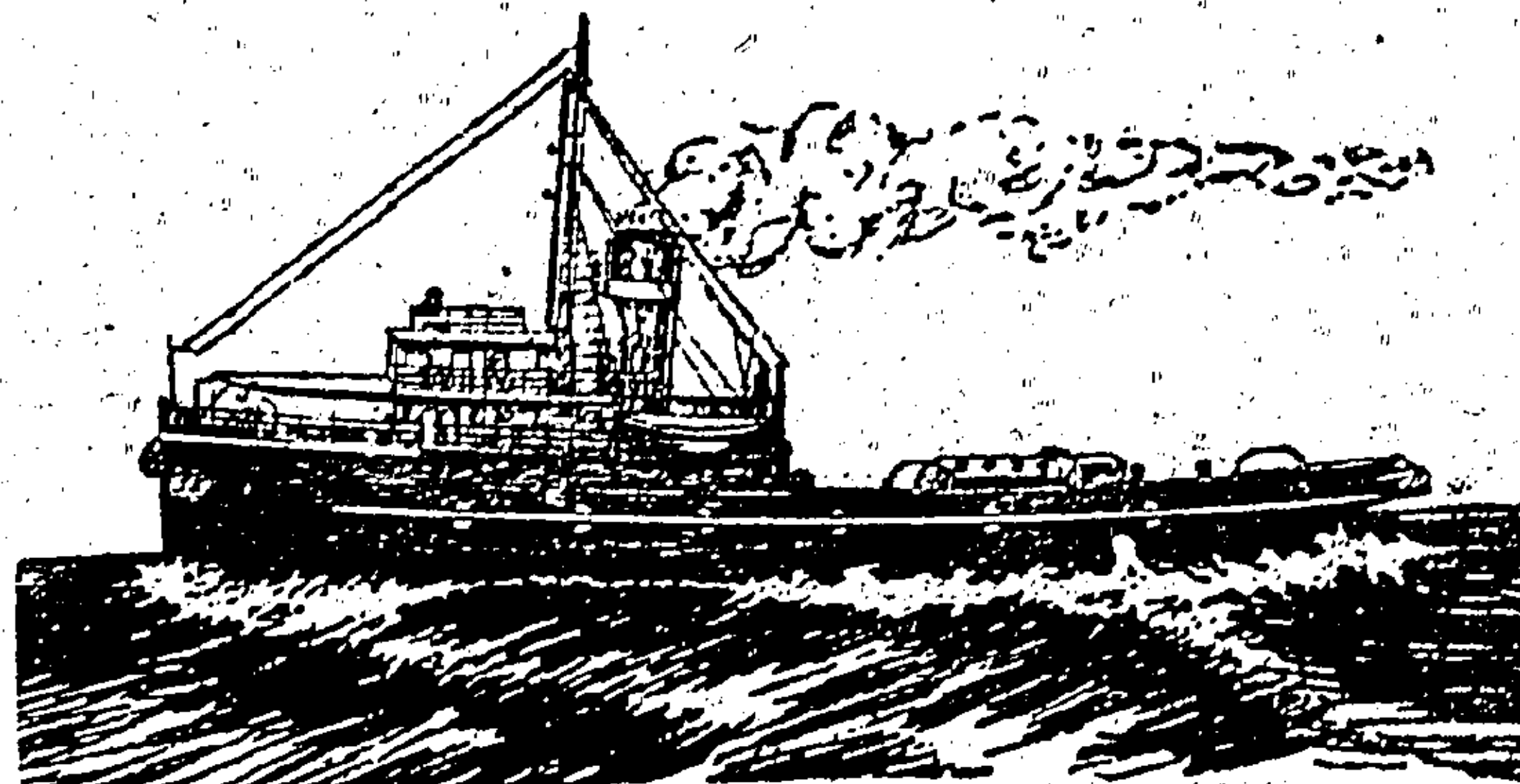
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